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NOVOSIBIRSK FACTORY CRITICIZED FOR
EXCESSIVE STOCK-PILING

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The Novosibirsk Chemicopharmaceutical Factory is comparatively small, and its annual stock-pile value should not exceed 2.5 million rubles. Yet the factory took everything it could lay its hands on, and its warehouse bulging with unnecessary items. For example, it has a 12-year supply of brazing solder and babbitt.

When the factory received the order from Moscow to speed up production, its administrators were apparently surprised at their own huge stock piles. In a 2-month period, they found various products such as iron, chemicals, tars, and special clothing valued at 500,000 rubles. For the past 3 years, however, two 10-ton fuel oil tanks, valued at 27,000 rubles, many chemicals, nonferrous metals, and other supplies have remained unused in their warehouses.

It is recognized that the staff of the Glavsnab organizations cannot possibly know all the needs of each industry, and as a result such abuses occur. The suggestion is offered, that much of this inefficiency could be overcome if a number of small-dealer outlets were established to keep stock on hand sufficient to fill the needs of a limited number of factories.

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